

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0036] with the following amended paragraph:

[0036] If it is determined in Step S9 that the bicycle is in a parked condition, then the voltage V of battery unit 32 is read from voltage sensor 39 in Step S10. It is then determined in a Step S11 whether or not the voltage V is less than 3.5 V. If not, then the system is placed in a normal operating mode such that liquid crystal display 24 is turned on to display selected information, and the motor driver 28 is placed in a braking mode. Control unit 25 functions as a voltage decreasing unit in the form of a current drawing unit in this situation. Both of these operations cause current to be drawn from battery unit 32, even though current usually does not need to be drawn from these elements when the bicycle is parked. This, in turn, reduces the voltage of battery unit 32 to conserve battery life even when temperatures are elevated. Thereafter, processing returns to the main routine.